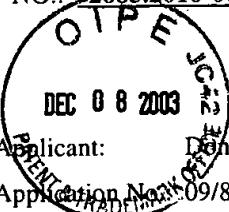


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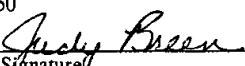
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Applicant hereby petitions for a further two (2) month extension of time for filing Brief on Appeal pursuant to the Amendment After Final received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 9, 2003. A Notice of Appeal was filed and received at the Patent Office on July 7, 2003. The Reply is now due on December 9, 2003.

In lieu of filing a Brief on Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) concurrently herewith.

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